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Dear Parents and Carers,

With the days slowly getting longer and temperatures rising we have reached February half term. This half term also signifies that half our academic year is behind us. Yes, we are halfway through – unreal. As usual we have a lot to celebrate before we close for half term.

Netball

Team 1:

On Wednesday 6th February we played a netball match against St John Fisher Primary School. We – Lottie, Lucy, Amber, Lyla, Ella, Daisy, Rafelle and Fifi played an epic game which we lost narrowly two goals to one. Amber scored our team's goal. Although we lost, we love playing Netball and all our matches. It was a great experience and we love trying as hard as we can, so it doesn't matter if we win or lose. By Fifi

Team 2:

Our team also played against St John Fisher Primary. We played very well as a team. We had an amazing time! Only one team can win and it was us! The final score was 11-2 to Theydon Bois! By Lily E and Ruby.

Football

Team1:

At the beginning we trained and warmed up. We then started our matches against Hereward. Rocco, Charlie and George were the goal scorers. I supported them well to set up the goals. There were three headers from me, Charlie and Rocco. Charlie took all the corners – some of the corners led to very near goals. Harry, our goalkeeper, did a great job in saving three attempts at goal. We ended up winning the game with a score of 6 – 0. We played very well as a team. By Luke.

Team 2:

On Tuesday, our school football team played Hereward in a close goalless draw. Both teams played brilliantly so a draw was a perfect result. Although neither team scored, both came close in the two halves. The teams were playing very fairly and showed good sportsmanship. Joe.



“Thank You”

I would like to take this opportunity to say a big “Thank You” to Mr Leahy for sponsoring the new school football and netball kits. The teams look very smart and wear their new kit with pride.

Public Speaking

On Wednesday 13th February Theydon Bois Primary School competed in the Public Speaking competition that took place at White Bridge Primary School. We covered our topic and stated our points exceptionally well and were honoured to be chosen for the final round. It was a really close competition and the other schools did really well too. We learned a lot from them, which we will take on board to help us hopefully to win the final round. We would also like to say a massive thank you to Mrs Farley who has been coaching us. We couldn’t have done it without her! Heidi A, Lula and Elisabeth.

Theydon Bois Spellathon

“Theydon Bois Primary and our fantastic PTA is launching a Spelling fundraising project. The letters go out today with all the information you will need, sponsor forms as well as spelling challenges. As a school we have a bold vision about where we want to be in the next five years. With funding for schools being squeezed by the government we have to be increasingly creative in generating additional funds to develop our lovely school further to benefit our children. Funds we raise will go towards developing our lovely grounds further and upgrading our computing equipment over the next few years. Thank you for the incredible support you always give to our fundraising initiatives.”

World Book Day

As part of World Book Day on the 7th March we are having a competition to redesign a favourite book cover. If your child would like to take part their design can be entered on either the template they will be given by their class teacher today or on a piece of A4 paper. Please ensure their name and class are clearly written on the back and that these are handed in to their class Teacher. Entries will be judged on Wednesday, 6th March. There will be a prize of a book voucher for each phase group.

School Clubs and Activities

Information about the various clubs and other activities run at the school have been sent out either by the school office or directly by the providers themselves. We endeavour as far as possible to keep you informed of start dates and times, however, it would be helpful if you could retain this information yourselves for each activity your child might attend. Please be aware that there may be occasions when a club does not run either due to a scheduled break (eg. Consultation Evenings) or illness. We will, of course, endeavour to give you as much notice as possible if this is the case.

Online Safety

Due to the increasing number of children using the app Tik-Tok, we have included this guide for parents, as you may be unaware of any dangers children are getting into when sharing videos.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/esafety-news/tik-tok-app-safety-what-parents-need-to-know/>

With the growing popularity of 'Youtubers' wishing to become famous, we do feel the younger children are putting themselves at risk more and more. Can we please ask that you have a conversation with your children about the apps, games and websites they are using, especially when sharing videos, live streaming and chatting through games?

The Internet is a wonderful place where lots of learning can happen, if used safely!

Should you need any help please use; <http://www.theydonbois.essex.sch.uk/learning/online-safety> or ask to speak to Mrs Bullock who may be able to guide you further.

Absence

Can I please remind you it is most important that children who have suffered sickness should not return to school for a 48 hour period in order to prevent the spread of infection. Please ensure that you leave a message on the absence line daily for any absence including if your child is expected to be arriving late at school i.e. due to an early morning medical appointment that the school are unaware of.

Dinner Money

If you would like to pay dinner money for the whole of the next half term (6 weeks) the total is £69.00. Please remember that dinner money can **ONLY** be accepted via the Agora on-line payment system.

Sponsorship – Walkie Talkie Tower Run

On 2nd March Mrs Alderson and Mrs Somogyi will be running up the Walkie Talkie Tower to raise money for Great Ormond Street Hospital. GOSH have been treating Mrs Alderson's daughter for the last 6 years since she was diagnosed with a brain tumour so this charity is very close to their hearts. Mrs Alderson and Mrs Somogyi will be challenging themselves to not stop running until they reach the top so if you would like to sponsor them please visit the link below.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/vicki-l-alderson>

School Closure Advice

In the event of Theydon Bois Primary School needing to close due to adverse weather conditions parents can find the notification on www.essex.gov.uk or on our school website/ twitter. The radio stations are no longer issuing names of school closures.

Nut allergy Reminder

Please remember that this is a Nut Free School. Please ensure that no products containing nuts are brought into school in snacks or in lunchboxes.

Dates for your diary

Monday, 25 th February	8:55 a.m. School re-opens
Wed. 6 th – Tues.12 th March	Book Fair (full information on times to follow)
Thursday, 7 th March	World Book Day
Tuesday, 19 th March	Consultation Evening 3:30 pm – 7:00 pm
Wednesday, 20 th March	Consultation Evening 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm

Yours sincerely



Mr A Rall
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